

Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date:	September 5, 2019	Time:	3:00 pm- 4:30 pm
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Co-Chairs:

MBAC Members in Attendance				
Name	Department/Agency	Name	Department/Agency	
Greg Piland	Federal Highway Administration	Deloris Lucas	Far South Region Rep	
Jon Mickles	Chicago Dept of Finance	Margarita Reina	CDPH	
John O'Neal	СМАР	Jose Abonce	West Region Rep	
Todd Wyatt	СМАР	Sean Wiedel	CDOT	
Garth Katner	West Town Bikes	David Smith	CDOT	
Jeremy Glover	MPC	Joe Sislow	Northwest Region Rep	
Jacob Peters	North Region Rep	Brendan Daley	Chicago Park District	
Melanie Eckner	Far North Region Rep	Maurice Perkins	Far Southwest Region Rep	

Proceedings

Meeting called to order at 3:08 pm by Sean Wiedel

June MBAC meeting minutes were approved.

Agenda and Notes				
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Bicycle a) Zero Septem	David Smith			
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City Upo	dates -			
a)	<u>Vision Zero</u> - Both the Operations Group (composed of City Agencies) and the Advocacy Group (composed of stakeholders) have already met. New working groups: Data, Policy & Marketing have met a few times already. A World Day of Remembrance planning committee has been organized to coordinate efforts for this year's event. A soft release of the Vision Zero West Side Plan took place at the end of July. Funding for the Vision Zero Northwest High Crash Area has been secured. An RFP for Vision Zero South Side has been released; engagement for this High Crash Area is planned to begin next year.	Sean Wiedel David Smith		
b)	Projects - Extending bike lanes on State St. from 95th to 119th St. Next year this project will further extend to 127th. Other improvements are taking place along 104th St in West Pullman {ark to create access points to the Major Taylor Trail. As part of the Riverdale multimodal plan, 130th St will get bike lanes to connect with Major Taylor, including a sidepath. New improvements along 55th Street are in the pipeline - CDOT wants to work with the Southeast Region Community Rep to engage the community around this project - part of this project includes a protected bike lane connecting to South Shore Community Center. Bike lanes along Harrison St. and other improvements were primarily funded by UIC - a bike lane on Loomis connecting to Polk St will be extended to Ashland - this project is also in collaboration with Rush University. Also, there are new protected bike lanes on Wood. New Madison Street bike lanes from Pulaski to Garfield Park with curb extensions. New 5' bike lanes installed on Clark St in the far north region - speed was also reduced along this corridor to 20 mph and there were also painted bump-outs installed.	David Offilia		



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Lyft Update - a) Expansion area comprises a total of 15 sq. miles across the South Side. b) The boundaries are the following: North- W 79th St; South - E 113th St; East - S Doty Ave; West - S Western Ave. c) This area is only the first step of the overall expansion to the entire city d) There will be less stations in the expansion area: 30 new stations. e) Criteria considered when identifying locations for new stations: based on community feedback; suggest a divvy station (https://suggest.divvybikes.com/page/about); near existing transit hubs; near recreation areas; Aldermanic review + feedback f) The bulk of the expansion will take place between this year and 2021. g) E-bikes will help close the gaps where there are no stations close by. h) Hubs are considered virtual stations. e) Divvy is working with the City to draft policies about geo-fencing bikes around city boundaries. j) The Chicago Park District is evaluating the design of the trail and the policies on allowing E-bikes along the Lakefront Trail - The public can share feedback with the Park District through this link: https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/parks-facilities/lakefront-trail k) Divvy is prioritizing community engagement to build relationships, educate the community and connect with new opportunities. I) As part of this engagement Divvy is running a bike mechanic boot camp, this is a youth program that provides career counsel to youth, personal finance training, and the opportunity to interview at Divvy for a mechanic position. m)Community Grants have been provided to organizations across the City. n) Roundtables will provide opportunities for more focused conversations with stakeholders, these events will be scheduled soon.	Ron Burke & Jon Stiffler	
Far North Region - a)The Far North Side has always modeled a sustainable lifestyle. b) This presentation focuses primarily in Uptown where there has been consistent negative narratives about the community. c)Challenges in this area: Lakefront train as a destination for all Chicago; traffic volume; accidental arteries - very narrow streets that were never designed to handle the volume of traffic currently circulating there; distrust of government. d)Priorities: coordinate, connect & protect all modes of active transportation; focus on most vulnerable users; resolve conflicts along Lakefront Trail; extend Glenwood Greenway to improve Rogers Park biking safety.	Melanie Eckner	
Southeast Region- a) The Gateway to black Chicago- landmark for the Great Migration. b) Challenges: access to the Lake; facing gentrification and displacement; issues accessing other assets in the community such as McCormick Center.	Dan Black	

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Public Comment & Announcements

- a) Roll N Peace Friday September 13 at 7 pm meet at 63rd St & Ashland
- b) Uniting Communities for Peace Ride Saturday September 14 at 9 am meeting at Build Chicago 5100 W. Harrison
- c) Uniting Communities for Peace Ride Saturday September 21 at 9 am meeting at NWSHC -5233 W Diversey

Adjournment at 4:40 pm

Video Recording for this meeting can be found here: https://www.bikelaneuprising.com/chicago